

Abstract

A method for controlling a drink preparation machine (1) for preparing a multiple number of different drink units on a hot water basis is described. The hot water for the multiple number of drink units is withdrawn from the same hot water source (8). In order to design the withdrawal in a way that provides a higher capacity, it is proposed to monitor the performance status of the hot water source (8) and to control the hot water withdrawal in such a way that the hot water withdrawal is released for all drink units at a predetermined full performance status (I), blocked for all drink units at a predetermined zero performance status and, at a predetermined partial performance status (II), blocked for predetermined drink units and released for other predetermined drink units.